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TAGS: UNGA, KS, BE

SUBJECT: KOREA AT 29 UNGA

REF: A. USUN 3404; B. BRUSSELS 7473

1. MOFA HAS INFORMED US THAT ROKG HAS MADE HIGH LEVEL ATTEMPTS IN SEOUL, NEW YORK AND BRUSSELS TO EXPLAIN TO BELGIANS REASONS FOR THEIR EXCLUSION FROM WORKING GROUP AND TO PERSUADE THEM TO COSPONSOR RESOLUTION.

2. MOFA REPORTS THAT ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER WLHO MET

WITH BELGIAN AMBASSADOR IN SEOUL SEPT 21 ON THIS SUBJECT. ALSO ROK EMBASSY HAS CONTACTED SENIOR FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS IN BRUSSELS, AND FOREIGN MINISTER KIM DONG-JO ASKED FOREIGN MINISTER VAN ELSLADE IN NEW YORK IF BELGIANS WOULD RECONSIDER. VAN ELSADE REPORTEDLY PROMISED TO LET ROKG KNOW "IN A FEW DAYS". MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY CHANG YE-CHUN IN EUROPE ON GATT BUSINESS HAS ALSO BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING UP SUBJECT WITH BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER.

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3. MOFA OFFICIALS HAVE MADE POINT THAT THEY CONSIDER
BELGIANS WERE NOT INCLUDED IN WORKING GROUP BECAUSE OF
U.S. WISH TO LIMIT GROUP'S SIZE. ROKG THEREFORE BELIEVES
IT APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL FOR U.S. TO WEIGH
IN THROUGH HIGH LEVEL APPROACHES TO BELGIANS IN NEW YORK
AND BRUSSELS.
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